shelter, food & nutrition, education, agriculture, environment and social sectors. In accordance with the recommendations of the Task Force, the Central Governmdent has set up the Orissa Cyclone Reconstruction Authority for rehabilitation and reconstruction in Orissa including finalisation and implementation of the reconstruction programmes. The Government of Orissa has also recently set up an Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority to coordinate the restoration and reconstruction work.

CBI case against Laloo Yadav

*559. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item captioned "CBI bypassed PM in Laloo Case" published in the Asian Age on the 16th April, 2000;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that FIRs against the co-accused have not yet been proceeded with to file chargesheets; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Apart from the disproportionate assets case filed against the former Chief Minister, Bihar referred to in the news-items, such cases have also been instituted against certain other public servants involved in cases relating to irregularities in the Animal Husbandry Department of Government of Bihar. The cases involve investigations at various levels and examination of voluminous documents. They are in an advanced stage of investigation and adequate attention has been paid to complete the investigation in these cases.

Agricultural production during 2000-2001

† *560. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:

DR D. MASTHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed a target of 212 million tonne for agricultural production during the year 2000-2001;

(b) if not, the facts in this regard;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.